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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Application No. 10/585,892; § 371 Date: July 11, 2006
For: **Use of Quaternary Pyridinium Salts as Vasoprotective Agents**
Inventors: GEBICKI *et al.*
Our Ref: 2782.0010001/MAC

Dear Madam Commissioner:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$180.00 to cover: \$180.00 fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p);
2. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 and Statement of Substance of Interview; with Appendix:
 - a. Two sheets of replacement formal drawings containing: (1) Figure 1, and (2) Figures 9 and 10;
 - b. One sheet of annotated formal drawing containing Figures 9 and 10 (showing changes); and
 - c. Substitute Abstract;
3. Certified English translation of the priority application;
4. Fourth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c);
5. Form PTO/SB/08BA (1 sheet) listing one (1) cited document (US5);

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6. Form PTO/SB/08B (1 sheet) listing two (2) cited documents (NPL1 and NPL2);
7. Copies of cited documents NPL1 and NP2; and
8. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier.

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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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